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# REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000,  
provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application  
filed on or after June 8, 1995.  
See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

Application Number	10/601,270
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Group Art Unit	3726
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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

**NOTE:** 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53 (d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Final Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 50092 (Aug. 16, 2000); Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

## 1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

- a. ☒ Previously submitted Jan. 11, 2005  
i. ☒ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_  
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).  
ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_  
iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_  
b. ☐ Enclosed  
i. ☐ Amendment/Reply  
ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)  
iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)  
iv. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
- THE SUBMISSION REQUIREMENT IS  
MET BY APPLICANTS' AMENDMENT  
UPON FINAL REJECTION, FILED  
Jan. 11, 2005 ALONG WITH ITS  
NEW ISSUES NOTED IN ADVISORY  
ACTION, NOTED IN ADVISORY ACTION  
OF 1/26/05, TO BE ENTERED AND  
CONSIDERED.

## 2. Miscellaneous

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(l) required)  
b. ☒ Other REQUEST FOR A SECOND MONTH EXTENSION TO Feb. 16, 2005 IS ENCLOSED.

## 3. Fees

- The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.
- a. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to  
Deposit Account No. 06-0105 02/24/2005 BABRAHA1 00000008 10601270  
i. ☐ RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) 01 FC:1801 790.00 DP  
ii. ☐ Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17)  
iii. ☒ Other ONLY ANY DEFICIENCY IN REQUIRED FEES IF ANY  
b. ☒ Check in the amount of \$ 790. enclosed  
c. ☐ Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

## SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED

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